

St. Andrews Parish – Werribee North District



GATHERING LETTER

**For the Bethany Community
“A sharing between friends”**

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BETHANY COMMUNITY MASS

The first Bethany Community Mass for 2018 is held this Sunday 11th February. We welcome Fr. Albert Yogarajah, our new Parish Priest who is celebrating this Mass. Come and make yourself known to him. Everyone is most welcome to attend, invite a friend along as well. Refreshments are provided after Mass to enjoy each others company.

Bethany Community Masses are celebrated on the second Sunday of each month except school holidays in the Bethany School Hall, Cnr Heaths and Thames Roads and begins at 10.00am.

ST. JOHN THE APOSTLE - COMMUNITY MASS

The first Community Mass for 2018 will be held on Saturday 24th February. Mass is celebrated the fourth Saturday of the month except school holidays in St. John the Apostle School, 54-76 Kingbird Ave, Tarneit at 5.00pm. Everyone is most welcome to attend. Come along and enjoy the company of this friendly community with a cuppa after Mass.

LENTEN PROGRAM 2018

This year, St. Andrew's Parish is offering *Surrender Lenten Program* to prepare us to celebrate the Risen Lord. Please contact the Parish Office on 9741 4144, if you would like to attend one of the 6 week programs, so that books can be ordered and to let us know which session you will be attending. Books will be \$10.00 each. Sessions begin:

Monday, 12th February: Our Lady of the Southern Cross Primary School, 2.00pm

Tuesday, 20th February: El Shaddai Prayer Group, Penola Hub, 1.30pm

Thursday, 15th February: Penola Hub, 1.30pm

Thursday, 15th February: Penola Hub, 7.30pm

CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD

Children's Liturgy of the Word is held during the 9.30am and 11.00am Masses each Sunday except Sundays during school holidays. Children of all ages are invited to attend. After the opening prayer, the children process out to hear the Gospel proclaimed at their level. Parents can attend with the little ones. If you would like to be involved please contact Sherry at the Parish Office on 9741 4144.



GodStart is a fun and dynamic "Pray" Group for two to five year olds and their carers. Children learn about their faith through Bible stories, craft, music, dance and prayer.

It introduces children to prayer and scripture in a dynamic way that will engage your child and foster a love of God. Children get to know God's love and parents get to spend time with their children doing fun activities. Come along and join in the fun.

It is held every **FOURTH FRIDAY** of the month at **12.30pm – 2.30pm** at Penola Hub, 33 Mortimer Street, Werribee. Next Session **Friday 23rd February**

Dates for the year: 23rd March, 27th April, 25th May, 22nd June, 27th July, 24th August, September 28th (school holidays), 26th October, 23rd November, 21st December (3rd Friday)

If you are interested in attending or if you have any questions, please contact **Susanne Sweeny** % the Parish Office on 9741 4144.
All welcome!

ST JOHN THE APOSTLE PLAYGROUP

St. John the Apostle Playgroup meets in the Portables at the back of the school. Entry is from the School Office situated at 54-76, Kingbird Ave, Tarneit. We meet each Tuesday morning from 10.00am – 11.30am (except during school holidays). Drop in and join this growing friendly community. Everyone welcome. For more information please contact Marthese at Parish Office on 97414144.



ST. ANDREW'S PARISH PICNIC

Tell your neighbours, tell your friends, tell your family, tell everyone!!
It's on again, St. Andrew's Parish Picnic.

Date: Sunday 4th March 2018
Time: 11am Mass followed by picnic.
Venue: St. Andrew's Church Grounds
(behind the Parish Office)



BYO PICNIC

Lots of games organised by our different Parish Groups, fun for everyone.
ALL WELCOME!



ST. ANDREW'S TRIVIA NIGHT

Please keep Saturday **5th May 2018** free for St. Andrew's Trivia Night to be held in St. Andrew's Sports Centre, Stawell Street, Werribee.
The theme for the night is **"SPOOKY"**, there will be a prize for best dressed.
Contact Parish Office 9741 4144 to book tickets at \$15 each person, table of 10. BYO nibbles, drinks. Tea and Coffee provided.



PRAYER TO BEGIN A SCHOOL YEAR

God of wisdom and might
we praise you for the wonder of our being,
for mind, body and spirit.
Be with our children as they begin this new year.
Bless them and their teachers and staff.
Give the strength and grace as their bodies grow;
wisdom and knowledge to their minds
as they search for understanding;
and peace and zeal to their hearts.
We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

**We, the Parish of St. Andrews's
Werribee
Are big enough to SERVE
And small enough to CARE**

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9am – 4pm Monday – Thursday
9am – 12.30pm and 2pm – 4pm Friday

Mass Times:

Saturday – 6.00pm
Sunday – 8am, 9.30am, 11am & 5pm

Reconciliation:

Saturday – 9.30am & 5pm

THE GATHERING LETTER

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